

Cyber Frauds in Chhattisgarh

Why in News?

Chhattisgarh has reported **cybercrime cases** totaling **Rs 168 crore**, with a recovery of **Rs 5.2 crore**.

Key Points

• **Cyber Fraud:** It is a kind of **cybercrime** that aims to **steal money** (or other valuable assets) from an entity. It involves using **online solutions** (internet based) to **commit fraud**.

Types of Cyber Fraud:

Cyber Fraud	Description
Phishing	Phishing involves emails that appear to be from trusted sources, tricking users into clicking links that lead to fake websites and attackers gain sensitive details e.g., credit card numbers.
Malware	Malware is used to steal personal information that allows cyber criminals to gain control of a victim's computer.
Ransomware	Ransomware encrypts a victim's files and demands payment for decryption. E.g., WannaCry attack in 2016
Cyberbullying	Cyberbullying includes any threat to a person's safety, coercion to say or do anything.
Cyber Spying	Cyber Spying targets a public or private entity's network to gain access to classified data, private information, or intellectual property.
Business Email	Scammers hack legitimate email
Compromise	accounts to impersonate suppliers,
(BEC)	employees, or tax office members, considered a white-collar crime.
Dating Hoodwinks	Hackers use dating websites, chat rooms, and online dating apps to pose as potential partners and gain
	access to personal data.

• Cyber Cell in each District: All five divisions in Chhattisgarh now have one cyber cell in each district and the police stations were upgraded to handle such cases.

- All district police stations are being upgraded to cyber police stations, with expert manpower being trained at national centers.
- Investment: The state government has invested Rs 2.77 crore in constructing a cyber building, equipped with state-of-the-art devices, including a unified forensic device, mobile forensic kits, and disk storage systems.
 - These technological advancements are part of the ongoing efforts to combat cybercrime and fraud in the state.
- Increase in Cyber Fraud: Cybercrime has been increasing globally, with digital transactions surpassing Rs 20 lakh crore last year. As digital transactions grow, incidents of cyber fraud have also surged.



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